



Blast Cleaning Enclosures and Recommended Inward Air Velocities

Use with the Abrasive Blasting Rule, Chapter 296-818 WAC

This helpful tool provides examples of blast cleaning enclosures and the recommended air velocities used for abrasive blasting operations.

Examples of Blast Cleaning Enclosures	Recommended Air Velocities in Feet Per Minute (fpm)
Abrasive blasting cabinets	At least 500 fpm at the hand openings
Blast cleaning rooms	At least 300 fpm with well baffled air inlets
Rotary blast cleaning tables	200-250 fpm at the access opening
Abrasive separators Bucket elevators Other accessory abrasive handling equipment, including blast cleaning drums and barrels	200-250 fpm at all openings